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S/001/0047*

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*47***Southern White Mountain Rose (S/001/0057) - rare plant species**

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Hi Gary,

In our call today, I failed to mention one very important thing:

There are two rare plant species (a type of buckwheat and a type of clover) that are reportedly growing in close proximity to your mine. I don't think the plants are growing in the area of your proposed road, but we will need to check. The US Fish & Wildlife service says that they have been classified as either threatened or endangered, but they haven't been formally listed yet.

The plants' presence alone doesn't limit the expansion of your mine into the areas in the future. However, from a permitting standpoint, avoidance of these specific areas would probably be a lot easier if you to expand to >10 acres (requiring a large mining permit).

At some point in the near future, we will need to talk about your options with a Division biologist.

Peter

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